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TEN BODIES FOUND IN ENGINE-ROOM OF F-4 MAY BE SIGNIFICANT FEATURE

Today's Developments Furnish Facts Which Naval Board Members Decline to Discuss Publicly—Revive Conjectures as to Explosion Which May Have Driven Crew to Compartment—One Body Identified By Nose Formation as That of Ivan L. Mahan, Machinist's Mate

Ten bodies of men who perished in the F-4 were found today when searchers penetrated the engine-room compartment of the wrecked submarine now lying on the drydock. The discovery furnishes a development whose significance the naval experts decline to discuss outside the circle of official inquiry.

Unofficially those following closely the salvaging and search of the submarine are asking what bearing this fact may have upon the theory in some quarters that a battery explosion or something of the sort sent the F-4 to the bottom off Honolulu harbor five months ago.

The finding of these 10 bodies was the foremost development of the day and not improbably the most important single fact established since the battered hull was opened to the minute search of sympathetic officers and men of the navy.

A second development today was the identification of one body as that of Ivan L. Mahan, machinist's mate, first class. This was one of the group of bodies in the engine-room compartment.

Further strength was lent today to the theory that an explosion of some nature caused the F-4 submarine disaster by the finding of 10 bodies in the engine-room compartment of the craft, huddled together as they perhaps made their last fight against a blow, death which crept upon them in their iron tomb.

This important discovery was made this morning, when Lieut. K. B. Crittenden, commander of the submarine flotilla; Lieut. Comdr. J. A. Furer, and their workmen, entered the engine-room compartment, which had not been searched thoroughly before.

Down in the engine-room and it is expected that the bodies will be taken out before the close of work late this afternoon.

"There were no two bones together, in any of the skeletons," said Lieut. Crittenden at noon. "They were lying in a heap on the floor of the compartment, covered with mud, grease and oil. There were no uniforms on them."

Mahan's remains identified. Only one of the bodies taken from the engine-room this morning was identified. It was the remains of Ivan L. Mahan, machinist's mate, first class. Mahan was married. His widow is Margaret C. Mahan, believed to reside here. Mahan entered January 24, 1907, and was 24 years old.

There were two positive means by which Mahan's skeleton was identified. The chief one was the peculiar formation of his skull, which resembled, according to Dr. Walter A. Cram, surgeon of the Alert, a deviated septum to the right. The septum is the bone which divides the nostrils. Only two such deviations existed among the F-4's crew, according to records on file with Dr. H. Carl, chief surgeon of the Maryland. One, Mahan's, was to the right, the other, on another crew member, was to the left.

The second means by which Mahan's body was identified was a series of round metal tool-checks, about the size of a quarter, found with some bones near his skull. As Mahan was a machinist's mate, he was given a check every time he took a tool from the ship's tool room. One of the checks found on his body was numbered 7.

The only other clue by which the other four bodies removed this morning may be identified, is some loose teeth found near them. To some looth, or any Honolulu dentist had kept a record of dental work done for the F-4's crew, Dr. H. C. Carl, who is leading in the work of identification, took the teeth to leading dentists here. One dentist, who keeps exceptionally complete records, said he had done no work on the teeth found today and no other clues were obtained by the doctor from this source.

Official Reticence. Members of the naval board of inquiry decline to make any statement as to whether the finding of the 10 bodies in the F-4's engine compartment, makes it appear more clearly that an explosion and consequently deadly fumes, drove the crew and officers to the rear of the boat, where the engine are located. They would not comment as to whether today's discoveries were significant in relation to determining the disaster's cause.

In order better to enter the engine-room compartment, a hole nearly eight feet long and four feet wide was cut in the F-4's shell by means of the oxy-acetylene flame, in the side of the engine-room compartment. The compartment was entered for the first time for a thorough investigation and removal of bodies when work was resumed today.

Charges Are Mounting. The navy department is paying the inter-island \$50 a day for use of

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ASANO GIVES LUNCHEON ON BOARD BIG LINER

(Special to the Nippon Jiji)
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 3.—President T. Asano of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha will hold a luncheon today on the Chinyo Maru for prominent local business men. Tomorrow he will give an elaborate affair in honor of some of the American merchants.

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DAYTON'S CITY MANAGER WRITES OF GOOD RESULTS

No. 6 in Series of Letters From
Mainland Executives to the
Star-Bulletin is Given

GOVERNMENT PROVING
EFFICIENT, ECONOMICAL

People are Manifesting New
and Widespread Interest
in Their City

The Star-Bulletin publishes below No. 6 in the series of letters from mainland mayors and other city officials upon model city charters. The letters are the result of a country-wide inquiry directed by the Star-Bulletin, to secure the experiences of mainland cities as suggestions for the

H. M. Waite, city manager of Dayton, O.

charter revision convention which meets next week to revise Honolulu's charter.

The letters previously published have been:

No. 1. From Mayor Albee of Portland, Oregon.

No. 2. From Mayor Fassett of Spokane, Wash.

No. 3. From Mayor Fawcett of Tacoma, Wash.

No. 4. From Mayor James R. Hansen of Des Moines, Iowa.

No. 5. From Mayor Eaton of Winston-Salem, N. C., and from Mayor Newhall of Lynn, Mass.

No. 6 in the series is from H. M. Waite, city manager of Dayton, Ohio. It is especially interesting inasmuch as Dayton is one of the large cities to try this new form of government. After the disastrous Dayton flood the citizens realized that only herculean

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FORMER PILOT IS DEAD AFTER LONG ILLNESS

R. F. Bennett, for 25 Years
Master Seaman in Islands,
Came Around Horn

R. F. Bennett, known to nearly every skipper plying in the Pacific trade, and for 25 years a master seaman with Honolulu as his home port, died at his residence, 1863 Kalakaua avenue, at 4 o'clock this morning of cancer in the throat.

It was said that Mr. Bennett had a natural taste for the seaman's life, and about 25 years ago he left his home in England, where he was born on December 28, 1865, and came to the United States. He signed on several short voyages on the North Atlantic coast for a few months and then shipped as a member of the crew of the old Brewer & Company bark Martha Davis out of Boston for Honolulu. The trip, of course, was made around the Horn and took several months to complete.

Arriving in Honolulu, Mr. Bennett became fascinated with the island life and he quit the Martha Davis and signed up as a seaman of the Wilder Steamship Company, then a competitor with the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company. He worked his way up to the captain's bridge and when the Wilder company merged with the Inter-Island about 11 years ago, Mr. Bennett retained his title as master mariner and served on several of the latter company's steamers until 1911.

BEGIN WORK ON FORT DE RUSSY BARRACKS SOON

Total of \$140,000 Will Be Ex-
pended at Waikiki for 10th
and 55th Companies

BEGIN BUILDING BY
MIDDLE OF OCTOBER

Cable From War Department
Authorizes Using Surplus
From Kamehameha

Construction of two barracks and officers' quarters, for the 10th and 55th companies, C. A. C. at Fort De Russy, to cost approximately \$140,000, will be started by the middle of October. The contracts will be let by October 1, and actual building will start as soon as possible.

This important development in military lines was announced today by Lieut. Col. B. Frank Chestnam, constructing quartermaster of the Hawaiian Department, U. S. A., authorizing him to go ahead with the work at the earliest possible moment.

"We will advertise for bids in a few days," said Col. Chestnam this morning, "and will start actual construction as soon as possible. We hope to get the awards made by the first of October."

For some time the project has been delayed because permission had to be secured from Secretary of War Lindley M. Garrison to add to the original appropriation of \$129,000 the savings effected in building the Fort Kamehameha barracks. This sum amounts to about \$11,000, making the total money available for the barracks, water and sewer connections, sidewalks and grounds, \$140,000.

The original appropriation of \$129,000 was not quite enough to build two barracks, but Col. Chestnam's plans made it possible. If permission could be secured to add to it the \$11,000 saved from the Fort Kamehameha barracks, to build two at once instead of one.

"The cable I have just received from the war department authorizes me to proceed with the construction of barracks for two companies of coast artillery at Fort De Russy," said Col. Chestnam. "Each barracks will be of the frame bungalow type, one story, about 140 feet square, rectangular in shape, built around an open court."

The war department's authorization means that building of the much-needed structures for the 10th and 55th coast artillery's officers and men at Fort De Russy can now go ahead with no more delay. Each of the barracks will be equipped with all modern improvements, including electric lighting, gas, plumbing, and running water.

NO INDICTMENT FOR WINTERS IN SMUGGLING CASE

Grand Jury Finds No True Bill
Against Man Rearrested
at McCann's Request

There are no charges of opium smuggling against R. P. Winters, as far as the special federal grand jury is concerned. In a partial report to Judge Charles F. Clemons today, that tribunal stated that during its two-day investigation it had found two indictments and one "no true bill." The "no true bill" was the result of an investigation of the Winters case.

The indictments have been placed on the secret file, pending action on the part of the marshal in taking the defendants into custody. It is expected that arrests will be made this afternoon or tomorrow. In case the defendants are apprehended today, they probably will be arraigned in court at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Winters was brought to Honolulu about three weeks ago from San Francisco. The charge against him was that he had smuggled \$2000 worth of opium into Honolulu late last June from the steamer Siberia, of which he was quartermaster. M. P. Williams, also a quartermaster on the Siberia, was brought here as a witness against Winters.

At a hearing of the case before U. S. Commissioner George S. Curry, Williams testified that he knew nothing of any alleged opium smuggling by Winters. The commissioner dismissed the case.

Shortly after the case was dismissed, U. S. District Attorney Jeff McCann arrived in San Francisco from Nashville, Tenn. At the instance of certain coast customs officials, it is reported, he called to Honolulu to have Winters apprehended. He was informed that the case had been dismissed. In another cable, Mr. McCann ordered the rearrest of Winters.

Mr. McCann, J. S. Wardell and Capt. Joseph Heads, the last two being customs officials from San Francisco, arrived in Honolulu early this week. It was reported at the time that Wardell and Heads would be witnesses against Winters. Both were called

PEACE MOVE PREMATURE Wilson Not Likely To Act Now

Official Cables
Give Details of
German Victories

The following official cablegrams to day from German sources give many details regarding the victorious campaign of the Teutons in the east:

"GERMAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Sept. 2.—The fort of Charnokowale, on the railroad between Vili and Grodno, has been captured by storm. Near Merez the German attacks have advanced the troops on the western front of Grodno, where the outer line of forts has been taken. The North German Landwehr yesterday stormed Fort No. 4, north of the high road, between Dombrow and Grodno, and took prisoner a garrison of 500 men. This evening Fort 4-A, with a garrison of 150, was taken by the Baden troops. Other works on the outer western front were thereupon evacuated by the Russians.

"East of Bialystok after a combat yesterday the Hindenburg army group took prisoner 3070 Russians, one heavy gun and three machine-guns. Near Gadowiec three heavy guns were sunk by the Russians into a swamp but were dug up. Prince Leopold's Bavarian army yesterday fought their way out of the northeastern border of the Bialowieska forest and took by surprise the passages over the Jazoloda. In the swamp region north of Pruzana over 1000 Russians were made prisoner. Gen. von Mackensen's armies in pursuit of the enemy crossed the Muchawiec river along the whole front. In the southeastern war theater yesterday during the pursuit 1000 Russians were captured.

"In the Vozges, west front, north of Munster the Germans on August 31 won back those parts of the trenches which were lost to the French during the fights from August 18 to August 25. Thus the rest of the line from Linghepf to Barankopf is again in German hands. "Southwest of the line, seventy-two Alpine Bersagliers were taken prisoner and three machine guns taken. Over Avusberg, northwest of Verdun, a French airplane was shot down by a German military aviator. It dropped burning."

GRODNO FALLS.

"GERMAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Sept. 3.—Field Marshal von Hindenburg's army has conquered Grodno after a rapidly forced passage of the Niemen river and fighting in the streets. The Germans reached the Niemen between August 29 and September 1 and the cavalry operated in the northwest. West of Vili the Russians tried to oppose our advance, which failed, the Germans suffering extraordinary losses. Southeast of Merez the Russians were thrown back and Gen. von Gallwitz's troops broke the enemy's resistance. Von Hindenburg's army took prisoner over 300 Russians, besides one cannon and 18 machine guns. Field Marshal Prince Leopold's Bavarian army captured the battle north of Pruzana. Field Marshal von Mackensen's army pursuing the Russians reached Jazoloda, near Sinek and Bereza. Also in the district of Antopol, east of Kobryn, Austro-Hungarian troops advanced eastward. In the southeastern war theater Gen. Count Bothmer's army is approaching the Sereth district.

"On the west front, near Souchez, the French made a hand grenade attack which was repulsed. In Flanders and the Champagne district the Germans successfully mined the enemy's trenches."

JAPAN WORKING HARD
TO BUILD UP RELATIONS
ON SOUTH AMERICA COAST

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
SAN DIEGO, Calif., Sept. 3.—A committee has been named to be present at the opening of the Japanese Exposition. Further efforts of the Japanese to establish intercourse with Chile are meeting with success.

JAPANESE GIVE TAFT
COSTLY FLOWER VASE

(Special to the Nippon Jiji)
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 3.—The Japanese fair commission presented an ex-President Taft with a flower vase today as a thank offering for his services during Japanese Day at the exposition. Tomorrow Taft will officially visit the Japanese pavilion on the exposition grounds.

among the other witnesses summoned. In a statement given the Star-Bulletin on the day of his arrival in Honolulu, Winters declared that the entire case was split up on the part of Wardell. Winters said Wardell had endeavored to have him turn "stoat-pigeon" against certain persons, including Pacific Mail employees, and that he refused. He claimed at the time that Wardell was extremely "peevish" and declared he would "go into his own pocket to the extent of \$1000 to get" Winters.

Large quantities of cereals of the 1915 Bulgarian harvest, purchased by Germany, were requisitioned by the Bulgarian War Minister before they

GERMANS TAKE GRODNO; RIGA NEAR FALL; REPORT BRITISH TRANSPORT SUNK, BIG LOSS

DESPATCH FROM SOFIA MAY RELATE TO ROYAL EDWARD'S
DESTRUCTION—GERMANS ADVANCING STEADILY ON
ROADS TOWARD PETROGRAD—SUBMARINE FIRES ON
HIND-ROLPH CO. STEAMER UNDER BRITISH REGISTRY

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 3.—It is authoritatively reported that President Wilson will make no move toward proposing peace to the belligerents until he is assured that such a move will meet with favor on both sides. It is indicated that he does not believe this is yet assured.

The plea of Pope Benedict, communicated through Cardinal Gibbons to the president, is taken by close observers of events to mean that the Teuton nations are willing to discuss peace terms.

British Transport Sunk With Big Loss; May Be One Already Reported

LONDON, England, Sept. 3.—A report here from Sofia, Bulgaria, says that a big British transport was blown up by a mine at the entrance to the Dardanelles, and that 320 officers, 1250 soldiers and 300 of the crew were drowned. The date of the disaster is not given. Six hundred bodies are said to have been recovered.

This transport may be the Royal Edward, sunk on August 14 with large loss, the news of which has already been made public.

Grodno Falls Before Onslaught of Von Hindenburg; Riga Threatened

BERLIN, Germany, Sept. 3.—Gen. von Hindenburg's army, which has been driving steadily forward in Courland and sweeping down on the Russians retreating from Warsaw, has taken the stronghold of Grodno, on the road to Petrograd.

The German forces advancing upon Riga have won a strategic victory in securing a position northwest of Friederichstadt, 40 miles from the port of Riga. From this position they can easily strike at the gulf city.

Christians Die by Thousands as Results of Turks' Work at Urumiah

NEW YORK, N. Y., Sept. 3.—The killing of 1000 Christians and the death of 4000 more as the result of terrible disease epidemics, is reported to the board of Presbyterian foreign missions from Urumiah, Persia, the scene of several massacres. This great loss of life is said to be the result of five weeks of Turkish occupation.

Hind, Rolph Steamer Reported Sunk

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 3.—News has been received here that the steamer William T. Lewis, owned by Hind, Rolph & Company of San Francisco, but under British registry, has been fired on by a submarine near Queenstown, Ireland. The steamer was carrying lumber from Everett, Washington, to Sheerness. Nothing has since been heard of the vessel and it is thought that she was sunk by the attacking diver.

(William T. Lewis is of 1906 net tonnage. Here about two years ago with nitrate cargo. Just before that brought coal cargo here, and has called at Kahului. Built at Glasgow. Is under British registry—her captain a Britisher.)

High Honor For Gen. von Mackensen

BERLIN, Germany, Sept. 3.—The Order of the Black Eagle, the highest honor in German decorations, has been conferred upon Gen. von Mackensen, whose brilliant campaign in Galicia and Poland has been largely responsible for the success of the eastern battles.

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AVERAGE OF 13 MINUTES
EACH FOR ELECTROCUTING
CONVICTS AT SING SING

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
NEW YORK, N. Y., Sept. 3.—Five convicts were electrocuted at Sing Sing prison today in 65 minutes.

STRIKERS RIOTING

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—A strike in the city of New York, where the English paper mills, when the

THREE MEXICAN BANDITS
KILLED IN TEXAS RAID
BY OFFICERS OF COUNTY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Sept. 3.—Three Mexican bandits have been killed by county officers at Los Chinos. They had crossed the border into American territory.

POUND STATIONARY

NEW YORK, N. Y., Sept. 3.—The English pound has been